THE CONTINVATION OF OVR FORRAINE

Intelligence since the 22. to this present moneth.

The first Part.

BIBLIOTHECA BODLEIANA

Contayning amongst the rest these particulars following:

The taking of the Citie *Great Glogaw* in *Silesia*, and *Eger*, on the Fronter of *Bohemia*; with the expulsion of the *Imperialists* out of *Silesia*, and both the vpper and lower *Lusatia*.

The taking of the Bishoprickes of *Patterborn* and *Corvay* by the *Landgrave* of *Hessen*, with his Summoning of all the Lords and States of *Westphalia*, to render themselues vnder his Majestie of *Sweden*.

Severall late passages of the King of *Sweden* his proceedings neere *Mentz*, and of his Armies in other parts.

The taking of many Townes more, and the yeelding of the Cities of *Norimberg* and *Vlm*, with divers others vnto his Majestie of *Sweden*.

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The Continuation of our Weekely NEWES.

From Prage *the* 22. *of* October, 1631.

IN this Kingdome are many thousands of Souldiers enquartered for the ensuring of the same. Vnto these forces shall be adjoyned the Generall *Dieffenbach*, with 6000. foote and 800. horsemen. *Don Balthazar* shall Command as Generall. His Imperiall Majestie hath granted many Commissions more for the levying of new forces; in so much that the Drummes beat in all places. From *Silesia* we haue newly received tydings that the Commander *Gotsen* hath taken the Cities *Gorlits*, *Sittau*, and other places in *Lusatia*, and newly are adjoyned to him fifteene hundred *Hungarians*.

From Prage *the* 27. *of* October, 1631.

The *Imperialists* haue abandoned the vpper and lower *Lusatia*, which places are againe possessed by the Duke of *Saxony*. The said *Imperialists* after they had made great spoyle in the Duke of *Freidland* his Countrey, and within his owne Territories, were at last enquartered in the Earledome of *Glatz*. The new levied forces of *Tertzich* are vtterly defeated at *Great Glogaw* in *Silesia*, yea quite destroyed. And the same Citie over and aboue that is delivered vp, and taken by the same forces of the King of *Sweden*, and now fully in the possession of his Majestie.

The *Swedish* horsemen waiting their opportunitie, defeated some Imperiall troupes neare vnto *Vlm*, between *Schornderf* and *Augsburg*. Which forces convoying along with them some treasure, became good bootie to the *Swedish*.

From Gotlitz *in* Sileſia *the* 25. *of* October, 1631.

This day the Imperiall Feild-Marſhall hath ſent hither to this Citie a warlike Commiſſary, with a requeſt that wee would be pleaſed to afford the Imperiall Army free paſſage, and grant them to be enquartered thereabouts. After this Commiſſary had waited with his Convoy before the Gates of the City for an anſwer, from twelue of the Clocke till two in the afternoone, was at laſt ſuffered to enter, and cauſed to propound his errand vpon the Towne-houſe, after he had made his ſpeech and ended his propoſition, he was wiſhed to returne backe to his lodging, vntill they had fully deliberated concerning his demand of ſo high a nature. This Commiſſary Generall finding the time of his expectation for an anſwer ſomewhat too long and tedious, returned backe to the Citie gate againe, before he was ſent for, but was not ſuffered to enter before fiue of the Clocke. And when he had conferred with the Peeres and Counſell, they could in no wiſe agree together, whereupon he departed peaceably for that time. Afterward his Feild-Marſhall commanded hither certaine Regiments of Souldiers, with ſome Ordnance, and demanded obedience from the Citie, and willed to yeeld. Which we perceiving to be ſo earneſtly intended, yeelded our ſelues, after ſome Articles of agreement conſidered and concluded vpon, and our Garriſon departed out of the Citie, and we ſuffered eleven Companies of the Emperours forces to enter. Lately alſo the Commander *Four* was ſent to *Baudiſſen*, and the Commander *Illo* to *Sittow*, but thoſe of *Boudtſen* will reſiſt: for they expect ayde and reliefe: and ſome Regiments of horſe and foote are alreadie marching thither.

The *Imperialiſts* preſſe hard vpon this Citie and Country, ayming to extract proviſion from vs for the whole Imperiall Army; but hitherto is nothing granted. Neither can wee learne what is their intention, becauſe the abſolute reſolution for the whole matter muſt come from *Vienna*, and they muſt be directed and guided by the order that they receiue thence. Wee doe exceedingly long to perceiue which way the Duke of *Saxony* will convert his proceedings, but it is very doubtfull.

Now

Now we doe at this inſtant receiue tydings, that the *Imperialiſts* haue beene conſtrained to forſake the vpper & lower *Luſatia*, which they haue abandoned, and diverted themſelues toward *Bohemia*. At *Dreſden* is lately arrived one Imperiall and another Spaniſh Ambaſſador.

From Kitzingen *the* 26. *of* October, 1631.

The King of *Sweden* will ſuffer no poſts or Meſſengers to paſſe theſe wayes. Certaine it is that he hath taken *Wirtzburgh*, with the Caſtle neare vnto the ſame Citie. His Majeſtie by reaſon of the great confluxe of Souldiers, daily comming to him, cannot but exceedingly augment his Army.

Another from the ſame place, the 27*th*.

The King of *Sweden* by the ſword, with his valorous proceeding hath ſubdued and brought vnder his ſubjection this whole Biſhopricke of *Wirtzburgh*. Which Biſhopricke is bound to contribute vnto him monethly a great ſumme of money. All the Cities in this Country, and almoſt all the houſes in the Cities are full of Corne, Wine, and other good proviſion, for it is a rich Country: ſo that the Souldiers are come into a good harbour, and will ſpeed well, for they find great plentie of all things. The Cattle ſtrayes and doe erre about the high wayes and ſtreets, without any keeper. A good Cow is ſold here for one Ryx Dollar, and a ſheepe for a very ſmall value. His Majeſtie of *Swedens* Army is very ſtrong, as it is certainly eſteemed, conſiſting of 60000. men, for ever ſince his great victory, and ſince his comming into theſe parts, he hath had a great conflux of forces comming to him. The principall parties and heads of *Bamburg* (ſince their Biſhop hath forſaken them) are agreed and haue compounded with his Majeſty of *Sweden*, vpon theſe 4. Articles ſet downe.

1. That they ſhall be bound to pay to his Majeſtie without further delay, three Tun of Goid,
2. That they ſhall yeeld vp to his Majeſtie the two ſtrongeſt fortified places in the Country, as namely, *Fortheym* and *Kronnach*.
3. That they ſhall monethly contribute to his Majeſtie as great a ſumme of money, as the *Catholike League* formerly received from them.

4. They ſhall abandon all the forces of the *Catholike League*, & caſheere them, renounce the agreement between them, and cleaue to his Majeſtie of *Sweden*.

From Leypzich *the* 28. *of* October, 1631.

From *Dreſden* is written that certaine thouſands of *Crabates* came before *Old-Dreſden*, and their intention was to take in the old *Iaggers-Caſtle*. But thoſe that were within, played ſo furiouſly with Canon vpon them, that they were conſtrained to retire, but not without doing miſchiefe, for they burnt downe ſome houſes and barnes, and went their wayes.

After that *Garlits-Bautſen* and ſome other places more were taken by the Commander *Gotzen*, our Prince Elector of *Saxonie*, with his Army went againſt him, whereupon *Gotzen* not being able to abide the power of his Army, retired, and hath quite abandoned both the higher and lower *Luſatia*. And all the Cities are beſet by the Duke of *Saxony*.

The 22. day of *October* this preſent moneth, but few dayes agoe, the water in the *Burgg-wall* behind S. *Thomas* Church in this Citie was changed ſuddainly into a colour as red as bloud, which was beheld and admired by many thouſand Spectators.

From Augſburgh *the* 25. *of* October.

The Spirituall and Clergy men, eſpecially the Ieſuites flie in great number from *Dillingin*, *Ingleſtadt*, *Ratſboone*, and other places, very confuſedly, with all their moueables bag and baggage, and take their refuge to this Citie, and ſo forward. The Spirituall perſons in this Citie dare not ſtay here, but doe alſo depart hence into other Parts, ſo that they cannot be furniſhed ſufficiently with Carts and Wagons for their conveyance.

The *Marck-Graue* of *Barut* 8 dayes agoe, ſent an hundred load of haye to *Werſenſtadt*, for there-abouts are many thouſands of the King of *Swedens* men come, namely, at *Moninghsbergh*, *Rauſteyn* and *Lichtenbergh*: they haue taken all the places of note betwixt *Coburgh* and *Norimberg*. It is certainely thought that his *Majeſtie* will make towards *Eyckſtadt* and *Bauaria*.

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The Duke of *Saxonie* is vpon the very Frontiers of *Bohemia*, and it is for a truth, that he hath taken *Eger* which is a City of great moment, vpon the ſaid Frontiers of *Bohemia*.

Some *Swediſh* Horſemen haue lately taken 200000 Rix-Dollors appertaining to Commiſſary *Wolffſtiere*, with ſome other treaſure ſent to *Munchen*. Theſe Horſemen were but a 100 in number, but had with them a troupe of Footmen, they tooke their occaſion neere vnto *Vlme*, and ſo carried away this maine bootie.

From Selingſtadt *the 6. of* November. 1631.

Vpon Sunday laſt the Generall *Tilly* from the head-cheife quarter of his Army, ſent forth 3000 men Horſe and Foote, to take in the City of *Wertheym*, which his *Majeſtie* of *Sweden* tooke but lately before, where 14 Companies of his *Majeſtie* of *Sweden* were enquartered. The King having advertiſement hereof, cauſed divers thouſands of men to lie in *Ambuſcado* (parted in two parts) in a place named the *Tauberground*, he had alſo given notice to the Governour of the City of *Wertheym*, and charged him to retire if in caſe he ſaw occaſion, and leaue the City, his *Maieſtie* intending ſome exploit that way. But before it came to that, the Kings foreſayd Troupes conſiſting of ſome Horſe and Foote, which lay in *Ambuſh*, before they could come neere the City, environed theſe *Imperialiſts* round about, before and behind, and aſſaulted them ſo furiouſly, that 2700 of them were ſlaine dead on the place, ſo that but a very few of them eſcaped: 14 Enſignes were delivered to his *Maieſtie* at *Wirtſburgh*, and this exploit affoorded the Souldiers very good bootie.

But in the meane while the *Imperialiſts* haue taken the Caſtle and City of *Bobenhauſen*, where they doe enſconce and entrenſh themſelues,

His *Maieſtie* of *Sweden* was inveſted at *Wirtſburge*, a few dayes agoe, and received very willingly by the Citizens for their Lord and Protector.

From Hanaw *the* 29. *of* October.

It is now confirmed that his *Maieſtie* of *Sweden* hath alſo taken the Caſtle of *VVirſburgh* by the Sword and many aſ-

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ſault, therein were ſlaine 2000 men: onely one Gentleman ſaved his life, whom the King graciouſly pardoned, the ſaid Gentleman revealed vnto the King a hidden great Treaſure.

Laſt Saturday his *Maieſtie* was in perſon at *Karelſtadt* by the Maine, where he brings a maine Army together. The Lord *Witzdom* hath fore-warned the Citizens of *Aſchenburgh*, to convey their goods into the ſtrongeſt and ſureſt places.

Eight dayes agoe the *Swediſh* haue taken *Rottenberg* on the River *Tauber*, whether the Commiſſary *Maſen* was fled. This City was yeelded to his *Maieſtie* by agreemeut. The Garriſon which was 700 ſtrong, mutined when they heard of the *Swediſh* comming, and rent their Enſignes all in peeces from the very ſhafts, and moſt of them betooke themſelues into his *Maieſties* ſervice.

The *Swediſh* haue alſo taken *Dunckenſpill*, and divers other places there-abouts.

The Citizens of *Northingen* (an *Imperiall* Towne in *Wirtenbergh*) haue by force of Armes expelled the *Imperiall* Garriſon of 600 men, which was within the Citie, and they haue freely ſurrendred vp the City to the King of *Sweden*.

On Friday laſt ſome thouſands of *Swediſh* Forces lodged at *Newſtadt*, and the next day marched to *Haylbrun*, and thoſe parts towards the River of *Necker*, doubtleſſe having ſome great exploit in hand.

His *Maieſtie* of *Sweden* cauſeth the City *VVertheym*, and the Caſtle of *VVurtſburgh* to be fortified. He hath placed for Governour at *Konigſhouen*, Duke *Ernſt* of *Saxen Wymer*.

The Army of the Duke of *Loraine*, and the Generall *Tilly* in perſon were two dayes ſince at *Mildeburgh*. Moſt of the ſaid Army is yet betwixt *Mildeburgh* and *Aſchenburgh*, and ſome of them about *Nyterburgh* and *Heytbatch*. It is ſuppoſed, that the Generall will goe towards *Biſchopſheym* on the River *Tauber*, and there pitch his Army. His Forces in the Biſhopricke of *Mentz* commit great inſolencies, and doe great miſchiefe.

From

From Bremen *the 26. of November.*

It is now confirmed from all parts that the Landgrave of *Heſſen* hath taken *Paderborn* and many other places, as alſo *Niewenhouſe*. Where hee cauſed the Armes of the Biſhop of *Collen* to be pulled downe, and the armes of his Maieſty of *Sweden* to be ſet up in the roome. He hath alſo demanded *Hexter* to be delivered to him and *Hamelen* and thence will paſſe on forward to *Oſnabrug*.

Letters from *Norimberg* and *Leypſich* newly received, relate, that a very bloody fight lately happened betweene the Duke of *Saxons* forces: and the Imperiall forces which came from *Luſatia*. And that the *Saxon* at the firſt by reaſon of the furious aſſault of the Imperialiſts was mooved to retreat, but being ſeconded by ſome Swediſh forces they obtained a great victory. In time we ſhall have farther intelligence and be able to certifie you concerning the truth hereof.

From Maeſtricht *the 3. of November.*

Here doe daily paſſe many ſouldiers horſe and foot over the *Maze* toward the *Rhine*. The Prince of *Barbancon* ſhall command 4000. horſe, the Lord of *Wittenhorſt* cauſeth alſo his regiment of horſe to be augmented and reenforced. The Earle of *Solmes*, and the Lord *Roveroy* follow them with two dutch regiments of foot forces. Theſe all of them march to the Generall *Tilly*, or to the *Palatinate*.

From Collen *the 9. of November.*

The Land-Grave of *Heſſen* hath ſince the taking of *Paderborn*, *Munden*, *Warburgh*, *Felckmerſen*, *Arenſtbergh*, and *Weel*, ſummoned the Peeres and chiefe of the Biſhoprick of *Paderborn* to appeare before him and take the oath of fidelity, as likewiſe to agree and conſult concerning the payment of the monyes that are to be contributed, and concerning the Enquartering of the ſouldiers, hath alſo diſtributed commiſſions for the levying of 4. regiments of foot, and 3. of horſe. In thoſe parts he marched with his Army towards *Hexter* and *Corway*. And now tidings is come that he hath taken *Hexter*. Our Elector with the Biſhop of *Oſnabrug* and the Elector of *Mentz* are here yet together

at the Dyet: Where the Peeres have concluded to contribut 200000. Ryxdollers but with Condition that all their agreements ſhall firſt be remooved, and than the monyes Contributed be imployed for the defence of the Countrey. And whereas that money is not ſufficient long to maintaine many ſouldiers, our Elector is very earneſt for a larger contribution to be granted. And becauſe the Spirituality ought not herein to be exempted, eſpecially ſince all this war and Commotion had from them it's originall, it is thought fit that they ſhall bee large Contributors, and with their Church Ornaments &c. and revenues, they ſhall helpe to maintaine a defenſive Army. But in the meane while there is a great flight, of Prieſts, Monkes and Ieſuites with their Church Ornaments to the Citty St. *Liborius*. Yeſterday the Spaniſh troupes 14. Cornets in number were expected about *Duringen* commanded by *Wittenhorſt*, and 4. or 5000. foot under the command of Colonell *Roveroy*, among theſe is comprehended the Regiment of *Tſenborg* and the new *Italians*. They take their way toward the *Moſell* through the *Eyffel*, ſo to *Trarbach* and *Cochum*. The 4. of this Moneth paſſed 3. or 400. men over the *Moſel-bridge* under the command of *Everfeeld*, theſe paſſe to the *Palatinate*.

Here is much amunition and great ſtore of Armes bought.

The Commander *Newhouſen* levies 1000. *Curaſſiers*, *Diſlingen* 500. Light horſes, *Angſtell* 500. more, *Overlachen* one Regiment foot, and one horſe. Commander *Lambach* will likewiſe have a regiment. All theſe for the ſervice of our Elector of *Collen*.

The Duke of *Bavaria* levies the tenth man for defence of his Countrey.

From Hamburgh *the* 30. *of October*.

The Gariſon which yeelded up *Roſtock* to the King of *Sweden*, the 19. day of this Moneth, paſſed by *Dutzaw* in the Dukedome of *Mechelenburgh*, and ſo to the River *Elb* *Wiſmar* is not as yet agreed, being reſolved to defend it ſelfe, and hold out as long as one man ſhall be left alive.

Aſſoone as *Roſtock* was delivered up to his Maieſty of

Sweden

Sweden, the Imperialists for very feare forsooke *Ratsenburgh* two Leagves from *Lauwenburgh*. At *Blanckeneese* those Imperialists passed over the river *Elbe* to *Boxteheede* and *Stade*.

From Hamburgh *the 6. of November.*

From *Mechelburg* is written that the Army is come from *Rostock* before *Wismar*, those within *Wismar* fell out of the Citty a thousand strong, so that an exceeding hot fight happened on both sides. The besieged were driven back into the Citty with great losse leaving behind them many dead men, and many wounded. Among the dead was their great Commander *Aldessa Barry* an Italian, who commanded there for the present in lieu of *Gabriel de Roy*, as Governour of the said Citty, many were also carried prisoners to *Weryr*. On the other part of *Mechelburgh* were also divers of them slaine, among the rest Leiutenant Generall *Berenbach*.

Duke *William*, Governour at *Erfort*, causeth a new army of 8000. foot and 4000. horse to be raised. And we understand farther, that the Swedish Chancellor *Oxenstern* is daily expected with an Army of 12000. men, with these to take the Citty *Magdenburgh* and *Wolfenbuttel* which have beene so long besieged.

From Collen *the 4. of November.*

The Lant-grave of *Hessen* with an Army of 12000. men, besieged the City *Munden* by the river *Weser*, and in one day shot very strongly from two batteries, thus attempting to take the City by force, those within yeelded up themselves by agreement, they departed out of the City with Bag and Baggage, and were convoyd to *Gottingen*. The said Lantgrave hath also taken *Waerburg*, *Selkmersen* and other places by agreement. And so marched to *Paderborn* which Citty yeelded presently, and gave 50000. Ryxdollers to be freed from pillaging, and as we understand hath since taken that whole Bishoprick. The leuy of our Elector continueth still, but there are hardly any men to be gotten.

The Generall *Tilly* could not perswade those of *Hanaw* by faire meanes, intreaty, or any other wayes, to take into

their City any Imperiall forces. And as now we have received information, the ſame Citty is yeelded up to ſome Swediſh forces for his Maieſty.

The Generall *Tilly* marched lately above *Francford* on the Mayn toward *Selingſtadt*, and there paſſed over the Mayn, thence he marched toward *Berghſtraet*, and laid ſtill certaine dayes in the iuriſdiction of *Darmſtadt*, where his Army did great hurt. It was formerly ſuppoſed that the ſaid Generall would have marched to *Hedelbergh* and *Manheym* by that meanes to defend the *Palatinate*, but now we doe underſtand that he takes his way to *Margentheym* and ſo forward to *Bavaria*. The Duke of *Bavaria* cauſeth the 10. perſon, nay ſome ſay the 4. perſon to beare armes for defence of his Countrey, many thouſands of them he hath enquartered in *Donawert*.

Duke *George* of *Lunenburgh* hath beene with his Maieſty of *Sweden* at *Wurtsburgh*, where he had Commiſſion granted him from the ſaid King for the raiſing of 20000. men.

From *Berlin* Letters affirme that part of the Duke of *Saxons* Army is going with the Generall *Bannier* and ſome Swediſh Commanders into *Sileſia*. And that the Engliſh were marched upon ſome exployt from *Croſſes* accompanied with ſome horſemen.

From Paris *the* 2. *of* November.

Our King is yet at *Chaſteaulery* and God be thanked our whole Kingdome is at peace. Onely *Monſieur* St. *Romyn* is taken in hold, becauſe he would have levied a regiment of ſouldiers for his Mai. brother.

In the buſineſſe of *Marillac* there is taken great paines the goods of all thoſe that ioyned with the Duke of *Orleans* his Mai. brother, are confiſcated and annexed to the Crowne, as namely the Dukedome *Delboeuf* the Dukedome of *Bellegarde*, the Earledome of *Moret*, *Rovanes* and others. The Cardinall of *Savoy* is here yet, but the Prince of *Cariano* is departed for *Piedmont*. It is moſt certaine that the Duke of *Savoy* delivered *Pignarola*, *Suſa*, and *Avigliana*, into the hands of his Maieſty to enſure the paſſage into *Italy*. What his Mai. hath granted the ſaid Duke in recompence wee know not yet.

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At *Verdun* is a great Treaſon diſcovered whereupon 5. Captaines are impriſoned.

The Army of his Maieſty is ſtill upon the Frontiers the ſame is daily augmented, but wee cannot learne to what end.

From Antwerp *the 9. of November.*

This weeke here arrived a Spaniſh poſt from *Lisbon*, relates that a Caravel is arrived in *Spaine* from the *Bahia de Todos los ſanctos*, ſent from *Don Anthonio de Ocquendo* the 6. of Auguſt: To certifie his Maieſty that in eleven weekes he was ſafely and happily arrived with his fleet of 25. ſhips and the Marchants fleet with him, which cauſed great ioy in the *Bahia*. They met with no Holland Armado by the way, they will now expect the Hollanders comming with great courage and reſolution.

From Bergen up Zoom, *the* 11. *of November.*

The 27. of the laſt moneth, his Excell: the Prince of *Orange*, commanded the baggage of the whole army to bee ſhipt. The 29. the whole army of the Archdutcheſſe went into garriſon, 18. companies of their horſe were commanded to the Rhyne, to march into *Germany*.

The 31. all our Canon was ſhipt, and the 26. of November all our drawing horſes.

The 3. of November the ſouldiers broke downe all their huts and all the army departed, his Excell. with ſome Earles and Colonels are come into this Citty the 4. of November from whence they departed.

The Emperour cauſes 3000. ſouldiers horſe and foot to be levied in the Land of *Liege*.

The troupes of the Duke of *Lerma*, and *Feria* are reduced into 17. companies and are marching into *Germany*.

The late Governour of this Citty the Lord Ryhoven was buried with great pompe the laſt weeke, according to the manner of warre. The States Generall, his Excell: the Prince of *Orange*, and the States Deputies, with all our gentry of our Army accompanied the Corps to the Enterment. Colonell *Morgan* is choſen Governour in his ſtead.

Extract out of a letter from Maintz *the 16. of November.*

SIR, If you did now come hither againe, you would marvell at the alteration that is here, you know there was but three Moneths agoe such boasting amongst us and such writing of pasquils against our Neighbours especially those of *Vim*, and the Duke of *Wirtenburg*, where the Monkes, Priests, and Nunns had taken into their possession many a goodly and rich Cloyster! But now we doe heare amongst us here, nothing but complaints, deliberations whether to flye and what to doe, & on the other side we do heare, there they are now taking their turn and pay us in the same coin they lately received from us. Thus goeth the world: Our Generall *Tilly*, whose name I doe beleeve is rather vsed to encourage us then to affright the Enemies, who (we do well see) doe neither care whether he be alive or dead, is said to have a great Army and I beleeve he hath it; But what he doth with it I cannot tell. Hee hath beene long about to take the towne of *Wertheim* (as we have beene often enformed by letters) wherein are but 5. or 600. Swedes! And yet he cannot master them, and meanwhile there is still one regiment and troupe or other of Imperialists, and of Loraines beaten, and I can assure you that the Loraines have no more mind to meete with the Swedes, for they solicite still to be put in garisons in such places as are farthest from their Enemy, and likely to be not troubled or assaulted at all. Thus we suffer more already by those that will make us believe to be our defenders, then we could feare at the Swedes hand, if we do no worse to them then the Countrey of *Wirtzburg* hath done, who is now in their Kings possession, but withall in peace and quietnesse. But of this I dare not say, what I thinke. The Kings troupes have lately assaulted one of the Imperiall quarters which was betwixt *Bishopsheim* & *Mergenthal*, out of which almost all the Imperialists (having gotten notice of the Swedes comming) ran away and so by their light hee'es saved their lives; For those that were not so quick were soone put to the number of the dead by the *Swedes*, who slew about two hundred and tooke threescore prisoners, and withall all the Baggage that was left there,

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which was laden(but could not ſo ſpeedily be convoyed away) upon above two hundred Waggons, all which beſides many other Horſes, Mules,and other cattell was ſeized by the ſayd *Swedes* without any Notary,and carried away towards their royall Campe neare *Wirtsburgh*.

I am ſorry I cannot tell you of ſo great matters and victories as formerly I did oftentimes, when both *Wallſtein* (whileſt hee was upon our ſtage of Warre, and playd his part) and *Tilly* did every weeke, nay day, get ſome notable Towne, Caſtle, and place,where they found no body that durſt oppoſe them, there having never appeared any great Army reſolutely againſt them, except that of the Bores in *Auſtria*;Howſoever, I will give you what I receive, and tell you the truth, though it is not liked amongſt us here. We had yeſterday Letters, and I have heard it confirmed this morning by a Colonell of ours, that 13. Finlanders (Horſemen) met with 60. Lorraines, and although the Finlanders ſaw them a farre off, and could have fled and ſaved themſelves (for the Country is thereabouts not open) yet with a boldneſſe and courage that defies and ſcornes death it ſelfe, they ſet amongſt them; and without any delay, layd downe to the ground the moſt part of the ſayd Lorraines; and made the reſt which were yet 16. to yeeld, and ſo theſe 13. Finlanders (which our Country people feares now as if they were Fiendlanders; that is, of the Land of the Divell) brought away to their King 16. Lorraines, without any complement, for I aſſure you, that they could underſtand never a word the one of the others.

Our Army of the Imperiall and Catholike and Lorraine troopes, doth onely endeavor(as I doe perceive) to hinder the Circle of *Swaben*, and other Townes of *Alſatia* & the Countries thereabouts to joyne or to yeeld to the *Swedes*: But yet nevertheleſſe we doe heare, that the ſayd Countries and the chiefe Townes and Imperiall Cities have already or doe yet ſend and accõmodate themſelves with that King, and put themſelves under his protection.

The City of *Norimbergh* is altogether in love with him, and wil be trimmed after his owne deſire, having already Swediſh Engineers, that give order for new fortifications thereof; and there are made leavies for the ſayd City, which they will entertaine in the ſayd King of *Swedens* ſervice.

Thoſe of *Ulm* we heare are doing as much, although I have yet no particular notice of what they are reſolved: But this I know,

know, that they (having ſome troopes for their owne defence ready) have hereby beaten backe ſome Imperiall forces, that were come out of Italy with much paine and labour, and craving from thoſe of *Ulm*, (but with ſome threatnings) ſome reliefe; namely, for every Horſe 10. dollers, and for every Soldier 6. dollers (and there were of them 12. Companies) they were for all anſwer, contribution and comfort, and without any compaſſion of their wearineſſe and ſufferings they indured by paſſing the Alpes, beaten back and driven to lie upon the Archduke *Leopolds* dominions, and ſo it is thought they will disband.

The K of *Sweden* hath cauſed the Caſtle of *Wirtzburg* againe to be mended and fortified, that now it may be called what before it was eſteemed, an impregnable place in the hands of Swedes. Let this ſuffice for this time, I hope for better newes ſhortly.

Extract of another Letter the 18. of November.

I Doe not doubt but you have already beene informed, that the *Swediſh* forces have taken in the midſt of the Catholike army the Old and new Towne of *Hanaw*, making the beginning with the Caſtle which they tooke by Pettarding and Eſcaladoes. We heare *Francfort* hath alſo made ſome accõmodation. But thereof you will be pleaſed to expect my next Letters. The Elector of *Maintz* hath kept ſome of the Spaniſh forces, that are ſent towards the *Rhine* & *Palatinate*, for the defence of his own Country, wherat his people (how great ſoever the feare is amongſt their Churchmen) is very ill pleaſed All the Spaniſh forces that are come and comming hither towards the *Rhyne* (which amount already to 7000. foot and 32. Cornets of horſe) are to be enquartered (as I doe heare) along the Country called *Rhinegow* and ſo lye along the *Rhyne*, to hinder the King of *Sweden* to paſſe the ſame River.

Now concerning the Landgrave of *Heſſen*, who hath a good army and in good diſcipline, he hath already taken all the Biſhopricks both of *Paterborne* and *Corvay*, where he hath made great ſtore of money by way of contribution, whereby hee makes ſtill new leavies: And withall he hath publiſhed a Proclamation in *Weſtphalia*, whereby he doth call and admoniſh all *Weſtphalians* that ſerve either the Emperor or Catholike league, to withdraw themſelves out of that ſervice, giving them terme of 6. Weekes, which paſt, and they not appearing and obeying, he will proceed againſt them (for many Noble and Gent: of that Country ſerue againſt the K. of *Sweden* and his Allies) and their goods, with all rigour, &c. More you ſhall have the next Poſt.

FINIS.